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has been due to the eccentricities of the artistic temperament or a press of other engagements is not known, but it is believed that the beauty of the result will compensate for the delay. The new medal will certainly be a great improvement on the one awarded since 1890, the portrait of Hayden on the obverse being much more accurate than could have been hoped for from the photographs available, while the design of the reverse, replacing the unsatisfactory view of the Grand Cañon, is gracefully emblematic. The die will, it is hoped, be promptly engraved, so that the medal, so long due, may be conveyed to Dr. Walcott.

Mr. Fox has rendered effective assistance in the issue and distribution of the PROCEEDINGS.

EDWARD J. NOLAN,
Recording Secretary.

REPORT OF THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

During the past year the deaths of the following correspondents were announced from the chair: Baron C. R. von der Osten-Sacken, Elisée F. Reclus, Prof. Eugéne Renevier, Dionys Stur, and Dr. Henry A. Ward. No correspondents were elected.

Notices of the deaths of seven scientific men of prominence were received and suitably acknowledged in letters of condolence.

There were received invitations to participate in the Tenth International Geological Congress, the International Congress for the Study of Polar Regions, the First International Congress of Oceanography, the Fifth International Congress of Obstetrics and Gynæcology, the Prehistoric Congress of France, the Congress of the Latino-Slavic League, the celebration of the Fiftieth Anniversary of the foundation of the Academy of Science of St. Louis, the celebration of the Two Hundredth Anniversary of the birth of Benjamin Franklin and the Dedication of the Engineering Building of the University of Pennsylvania. Except to the last two, no delegates were appointed by the Academy. The invitations were acknowledged by appropriate expressions of interest and regret or congratulation. At the last two gatherings the Academy was represented by its President, on behalf of whom also the Corresponding Secretary accepted his appointment by the Society of Physical and Natural Sciences of Bordeaux as delegate to the Franklin celebration.

A number of circulars announcing changes in the organization or staffs were received from learned societies and museums, and various

requests for information or courtesies were answered or referred to the proper officers of the Academy.

The following table summarizes the correspondence for the year:

COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED.

Acknowledging receipt of the Academy's publications,	166
Transmitting publications,	65
Requests for the supply of deficiencies,	2
Invitations to learned gatherings,	12
Announcements of deaths of scientific men,	9
Circulars concerning the administration of scientific institutions, etc.,	10
Photographs of correspondents,	11
Biographies of correspondents,	8
Letters from correspondents,	7
Miscellaneous letters,	36
Total received,	326

COMMUNICATIONS FORWARDED.

Acknowledging gifts to the Library,	860
Acknowledging gifts to the Museum,	55
Acknowledging photographs and biographies,	14
Requesting the supply of deficiencies in journals,	68
Letters of sympathy and congratulation,	8
Miscellaneous letters,	64
Copies of annual reports and circulars,	326
Total sent,	1,395

Respectfully submitted,

J. PERCY MOORE,
Corresponding Secretary.

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN.

The Library of the Academy has been increased by the following additions during the past year:

Pamphlets and parts of periodicals,	5,715
Volumes,	1,157
Maps,	146
Photographs,	33
Manuscript,	1
Total,	7,052